

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Wilusz. et al.

Application No.: 09/955,462

Filed: September 18, 2001

**COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR** For: REPRODUCING AND MODULATING

MAMMALIAN MESSENGER RNA DECAPPING

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: David A. Lambertson

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

On July 29, 2002, the Examiner mailed a Restriction Requirement with a one-month reply date set for August 29, 2002. Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to respond under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, making the new deadline to respond September 29, 2002.

The Office Action restricted the claims into seven groups. Applicants hereby elect to proceed with Group I (claims 1-13 and 17-21 drawn to mammalian cell extracts containing 10/09/2002 SZEWDIE1 00000025 500665

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